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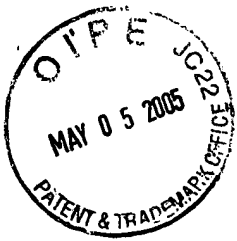
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The subject patent application was filed on November 3, 2003. Since then, Applicants have not received an action on the merits of the application. Applicants respectfully request a communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office concerning the status of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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